

**APPENDIX 2
DECISION MAKING DOCUMENT**

<p>Are the capacity caps above what is allowed per the protection levels?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Is there a risk to local population health, taking into account local trends in the prevalence of coronavirus- available via Public Health Scotland.</p>	<p>While NHS Grampian modelling still leads us to expect an increasing wave of cases across Grampian over the next few weeks, we are also very aware that Scottish Government have determined that further easing of restrictions will occur. We are also mindful that local authority determinations will be influenced by anticipated Scottish Government guidance, and by precedents being set by authorities elsewhere.</p> <p>We understand that an increase to 25% capacity would be consistent with spectator capacity precedents already set. The requirement of negative LFD is welcome as is the proposal to have officers present to monitor adherence to the mitigations to be put in place. We also note that this is a decision for one match only, and that observations at the match would inform subsequent decisions.</p> <p>NHS Grampian would reiterate the anticipated increase in cases as part of the third wave and the requirement for caution even amongst outdoor crowds, but would not object to this incremental increase in spectator capacity given the mitigations and independent observation of these being proposed.</p>
<p>Has the event organiser/venue operator carried out a comprehensive risk assessment?</p>	<p>Yes</p>

<p>Has the event organiser/venue operator taken into account relevant COVID-safety or relevant sector guidance?</p>	<p>Yes to the satisfaction of Environmental Health following a visit on 12/07/2021</p>
<p>Can/will all mitigations be operated effectively?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Has the event organiser/venue operator undertaken an Equalities Impact Assessment, ensuring that measures take into account diversity & equality concerns and those of disabled people?</p>	<p>Environmental Health advised that an EIA is not something they would routinely look for.</p>
<p>What will be the impact on the local area and other adjacent areas?</p>	<p>Contained in the Operational Plan</p>
<p>Has the event organiser/venue operator engaged with neighbouring businesses, transport operators and local police to assess and mitigate risks arising from pressure on local and public transport?</p>	<p>Representatives from Aberdeen FC met with First, Stagecoach and Public Transport Unit last week and provided some details of the numbers expected to travel depending on the crowd size permitted. Bus services are currently operating at close to 100% of their normal timetables albeit with reduced capacity to allow for social distancing. The available capacity on buses can more than accommodate the increased crowd and we would have no concerns with approving this request.</p> <p>Transport Scotland</p> <p>Based on the information I currently have, generally matches played at Pittodrie do not create significant issues on the strategic road or rail networks.</p> <p>However, some points to note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is assumed that the 8,238 would be predominately made up

	<p>of season ticket holders. Should away fans be sold tickets – there should be consideration to if the match day and kick off time would impact them – for example a midday kick off on a Sunday would make it difficult/impossible for some fans to travel on public transport.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The organisers should consider and communicate with their fans the current covid-19 restrictions and guidance in relation to travel. • The organisers should consider and communicate with their supporter clubs any planned roadworks - Traffic Scotland > Planned Roadworks or other events which may create additional demands on the nearby roads Traffic Scotland > Planned Events • The organisers should consider and communicate with their supporter clubs any planned potential for rail disruption for example - Sunday strikes planned ScotRail • We would also recommend that the match organisers also liaise with Aberdeen City Roads/Traffic Management department to consider any further guidance. <p>ACC – Transport Strategy and Programmes</p> <p>I can confirm no significant impacts on the roads network for the requested crowd level. The crowd is less than the pre-lockdown average for what has always been permitted so no concerns.</p>
<p>Has the event organiser/venue operator engaged with local accommodation providers in the area in the event of overnight stays, including for event staff, workers and contractors</p>	<p>The SAG did not consider that there would be significant added demand on local accommodation providers.</p>

<p>Has the event organiser/venue operator considered the impact of increased footfall on the surrounding area and infrastructure (for example, queue management and crowding outside of a venue)?</p>	<p>Yes - see Return Supporters Operational Plan Section 6 Supporter's Journey.</p>
<p>Has the event organiser/venue operator considered the impact and management inside the premises at particular pinch points (for example queue management and crowding at bar, food stand, merchandise areas etc.)?</p>	<p>Yes Kiosks will remain closed to allow 1m distancing to be maintained – see return to Supporters Operational Plan</p>
<p>Will attendees be primarily local, or will there be additional risk factors created by attracting a national or international audience for the event?</p>	<p>Tickets will be limited to Season Ticket Holders – see Appendix 13 of return Supporters Operational Plan for Breakdown of Postcode Regions</p> <p>7,727 season ticket holders – 1020 holders outwith Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire – 52 in the UK or International</p>
<p>Has the event organiser/venue operator successfully run their event in line with relevant COVID-19 Scottish Government sectoral guidance previously? This could be within the local authority area or successful events in other local authority areas.</p>	<p>Test event of 300 supporters in September 2020</p>
<p>Through conversations with the event organiser/venue operator and a review of their Risk Assessment, local authorities will need to satisfy themselves that the event organiser/venue operator has put in place reasonable mitigations to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensure physical distancing between customers, performers or exhibitors, and staff • ensure that customers adhere to the gathering rules in place at the time of the event (e.g. attend in groups of up to 8 people from 8 different 	

<p>households (unless an exemption applies)) and that groups can be kept separate within the event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensure cleanliness in all areas with a focus on touch points and key areas and drawing up cleaning schedules in advance • robustly log customer data for the purposes of NHS Test and Protect • ensure they communicate how customers can travel safely to venues in advance of the event, according to the safer travel guidance 	<p>Environmental Health advised that they were satisfied.</p>
<p>Event organisers/venue operators and local authorities, where there is concern the event cannot be held safely may consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reducing the number of attendees to minimise any burden on local transport systems • staggering entry times with other venues and taking steps to avoid queues building up in surrounding areas • arranging one-way travel routes between transport hubs and venues • advising patrons to follow safer travel guidance, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ travelling on quieter routes where possible ○ sanitising hands regularly ○ wearing a face covering unless exempt ○ physical distancing where possible 	<p>Information from Transport Scotland, PTU and ACC roads indicates there would be no significant impact on transports systems</p> <p>Staggered entry times are contained in the Operational Plan</p>